

Season 3 Episode 16

Uncle Merge Part 1

It is late at night and thugs bring in crates filled with inventions. A tall thin robotic looking bald man with spiky white hair on the back of his scalp opens up the boxes. The bald man said, "The isotopes for my greatest invention are here and they are ready to be tested." The bald man assembles the components while his thugs watch. The bald man assembles a ray beam generator. The bald man said, "We need a test subject." The thugs sweat in fear and one of the thugs hands the bald man a can of orange soda and a beaker. The bald man places the orange soda and the beaker on a small work bench. He activates the ray and it merges the beaker with the orange soda can forming an orange soda beaker. The man lifts up the beaker and he drinks the contents of it. The bald man said, "It works. The city is ours and anyone would be a fool to stand in my way." Captain Fusion is on the roof of the warehouse using a small spyglass to peak at the warehouse from a small crack in the roof. The bald man said, "Now, it is time for you thugs to get to work on mass producing these things." Captain Fusion uses a fusion cutter to cut a hole in the roof and he jumps in the warehouse.

Thugs load their guns. Captain Fusion kicks the gun out of a thug's hand and he smacks another thug. More thugs run for him and Captain Fusion fights them off. Captain Fusion said, "I know you have the isotopes. I have tracked you all the way here from that lab you stole them from." The bald man walks out of the shadows and he said, "Why, Captain Fusion. It has been a long time since we last met." Captain Fusion said, "Uncle Merge?" Uncle Merge said, "You know who I am. You also know what my big plan is. I cannot let you know the truth." Uncle Merge uses his robotic arms and he smashes the merge ray he just built. Uncle Merge takes the remains and he places them in a crate with isotopes. Uncle Merge lifts the crate high over his head and he runs out the warehouse. Captain Fusion chases Uncle Merge for the isotope samples. Uncle Merge runs outside and Captain Fusion ends up far behind him and news crews surround Captain Fusion and stop him.

George Ferrier takes out his microphone and cameras surround Captain Fusion. George said, "Mayor Fusion, you have only been mayor for a few days and it seems you still run off in the night to fight bad guys. How will you be able to balance this complex structure of a schedule?" Captain Fusion sees Uncle Merge running off into

the distance.” Captain Fusion tries to run off but he keeps getting stopped by news crews. George said, “What do you think of the new stimulus package?” Captain Fusion said, “I don’t care about the stimulus package. All I care about is stopping Uncle Merge.” Captain Fusion points to Uncle Merge and Captain Fusion tries to leave the scene but he keeps getting stopped by news crews and fans.

The next morning, the newspaper reads, “Isotopes stolen from labs across city. Can the new mayor handle the new wave of criminals?” Captain Fusion places the newspaper down in the city hall mayor’s office. Captain Fusion said, “This happens every time. I have only been mayor for a few days and I cannot go a day or night of crime fighting without getting interference from media crews and fans.” Jason and Mason enter the office. Mason said, “I don’t suppose you have finished the upgrades to my robot mech yet. I didn’t expect you to get that done considering all your work as mayor.” Captain Fusion said, “Would the two of you mind watching this office for a bit? Something urgent came up at my lair and I must attend.” Captain Fusion zips out of the office. Jason said, “I guess we are the temporary mayors of the city for the next bit.” Mason looks over the papers on Captain Fusion’s desk. Jason goes to the computer and he looks over large meaningless texts. Jason said, “Being the mayor must be awesome because all you do is read stuff and approve things.” Mason said, “Don’t approve anything.” Jason looks at stuff on the computer and he goes to solitaire and plays solitaire.

Captain Fusion works on a new robot armor suit. It is large gold plated and robotic. Captain Fusion said, “It looks like I am back on even ground with Uncle Merge.” Captain Fusion places on the gold armor and he zips out of the lair. Some kid gets a cat stuck in a tree and the new Captain Fusion takes the cat out of the tree and gives it to the kid. Bad guys rob a convenience store and the new Captain Fusion shows up and the bad guys give back everything at the sight of the new Captain Fusion.

Uncle Merge is at his house in the middle of the downtown region. Uncle Merge is in his basement and he turns on a new robot. Uncle Merge said, “I finally finished the first prototype for my army of robot mergers. I even updated my merge ray so it is small and easy to carry around. Uncle Merge places two merge rays into his pockets. The new robot has a screen on the back. Uncle Merge types in coordinates and the robot jumps and smashes the upstairs floor and smashes through the ceiling and it lands in the city streets.

The robot causes havoc in the city and Jason and Mason are in the mayor’s office watching in on DDD News. George Ferrier is on the screen and George said, “George Ferrier of DDD News here and there is an unknown type of robot causing a

rampage in the streets of San Francisco.” George Ferrier ducks as the robot throws garbage cans at the camera. George said, “We need...” the new Captain Fusion enters the scene and he goes to fight the robot. The robot picks up the new Captain Fusion and smashes him into a wall. The new Captain Fusion pounds the head of the robot and he jumps on it and drills it into the ground. The robot gets up and zips through the new Captain Fusion knocking him down. Jason and Mason are watching all of this and Jason said, “Knock him down, new hero.” Mason said, “How do we know that gold armor guy is even the hero? How do we know this is not just a set up of some sort?” Jason said, “The robot was destroying the city first and this gold guy seems to be fighting the robot rather than causing any damage to the city.” The new Captain Fusion spots the computer terminal on the back of the robot. The new Captain Fusion dashes for the robot and he types something into the terminal. The robot zips over to a building and it lifts up the building. The robot’s strength cannot support the building and the building falls back on the robot and the robot is crushed and destroyed.

Crowds form around the gold hero. DDD News crews gather around him and George Ferrier said, “Tell me new hero, what are you called?” The new Captain Fusion said, “I am Optitron. I came straight out of the cosmic future and I am here to protect San Francisco from any type of villainy.” George said, “There you have it. Optitron is San Francisco’s newest hero.” Jason said, “Optitron. Oh boy. I sense another gold age upon us.” Captain Fusion enters the office and he said, “There. I just took care of that work and thanks for watching the office while I was gone.” Jason said, “You missed it. There’s a new hero in town called, Optitron.” Captain Fusion said, “That’s good. Now I can work in peace while Optitron does all the crime battling in the city.”

Mason is back in his lab working on things while Jason is on the computer. Jason starts a new website dedicated to the new, Optitron. Jason said, “I have nominated and elected myself to be the new official spokesman for Optitron. I have a new website encyclopedia which will contain everything there is to know about, Optitron.” Mason said, “You don’t know much about Optitron.” Jason said, “That’s why I am going to learn more. I must follow this Optitron and document his actions and battles.” Mason said, “Something is up with this, Optitron. Why would an overpowered futuristic hero suddenly show up in San Francisco? I think something is up with Optitron. This could be part of a plot against the city to make us slaves to someone or something. I will document Optitron too. We may need the two of us if my prediction is correct. The only problem is that you never know where and when Optitron will strike. Maybe Captain Fusion could help us?” Mason goes to his Captain Fusion communicator and he calls Captain Fusion but there is no answer. Mason goes to his computer and he accesses the security cameras at Captain Fusion’s lair and everything there seems to be in tact but Captain Fusion is nowhere to be found. Mason said, “Captain Fusion does not seem to be at his lair. He must be at city hall then.”

Jason and Mason arrive at city hall through a hidden passage tunnel and then end up at the mayor's office. Captain Fusion is not there. Jason said, "Some villain must have got to him. This could be bad." Jason and Mason look out the window and they see Optitron flying outside and he heads for a factory in the city.

Jason and Mason watch the factory. Jason and Mason document what happens. Mason uses a gadget of his and he finds a small hidden opening to the factory. Jason and Mason go in that opening and they end up in the factory. They see Uncle Merge overseeing thugs assemble mass quantities of the robot of the type that attacked the city earlier and small merge rays. Mason said, "This looks like a crime organization at work." Jason documents everything and he snaps some pictures. A large flash goes off from Jason's camera. Mason said, "Jason, turn off the flash." Jason said, "I did and my flash is malfunctioning." Jason's flash keeps going off and it has attracted attention of the thugs and Uncle Merge. Uncle Merge said, "There are intruders in here. Get them!" The thugs run for Jason and Mason and Jason and Mason try to escape but the thugs crowd around the secret and main entrances and exits. Uncle Merge said, "You guys are trapped here now. I hope you like this place because you are going to be seeing it for the rest of your lives." Jason said, "Are you going to torture us or something?" Uncle Merge said, "I have a far better idea than that. I am going to make you work for me in this factory. I might as well show you what my deal is since you guys are never going to leave this place."

Uncle Merge demonstrates his merge ray combining a watermelon with a can of orange soda. A large watermelon filled with watermelon orange soda is formed. Mason said, "You created a merge machine." Jason said, "What's the deal with merge rays?" Uncle Merge said, "With this merge ray, I can rule the world. People will bow down before me because I can merge them with foods or other undesirable objects and have them spend the rest of their lives as part human and part something else. If they wish to stay full human, they will have to bend over backwards for me." Jason said, "I would rather get merged by this ray than be your servant." Mason said, "Maybe we should just serve this guy. He is bad but he does have an upper hand on us. We can't possibly stay here forever." Uncle Merge said, "You will stay here until the end of time. When you get old and start to decay, I will give you some robotics of mine." Uncle Merge reveals some of his robotic components.

Optitron breaks through the ceiling and he smashes and destroys the factory equipment. Jason and Mason said, "Optitron!" Jason said, "I was wondering when he would show up." The thugs try to fight Optitron and Optitron fights off the thugs. Optitron said, "Now we are on equal ground." Optitron goes to fight Uncle Merge.

Optitron lifts Uncle Merge and Uncle Merge zaps Optitron with his merge ray. Optitron said, "I've been merged. I guess I am going to stay like this forever then." Optitron grabs onto Uncle Merge and smashes him into a wall. Uncle Merge said, "You couldn't possibly destroy your own uncle, could you?" Jason said, "You are Optitron's Uncle?" Uncle Merge said, "No, I am Captain Fusion's uncle." Jason said, "What does Captain Fusion have to do with this?" Uncle Merge said, "Optitron is Captain Fusion. I can tell because of my instincts." Uncle Merge breaks the face plate off Optitron revealing the head of Captain Fusion. Mason said, "You were Optitron? But why?" Captain Fusion said, "Let me explain..."

Captain Fusion said, "Since I have become mayor, I have done a great service for our community by making up for the negligent mistakes our previous mayor has made. I have been getting more attention from media and fans and it has been interfering with my crime fighting work. I thought if I made myself into a different more stronger hero, it would be easier to fight off media people. It would also help me balance my life as mayor." Jason said, "A superhero that serves as a secret identity for another superhero. I have not heard that one before." Mason said, "Is Uncle Merge really your uncle?" Captain Fusion said, "I am afraid, yes. I knew Uncle Merge since I was a young kid. Uncle Merge would always run ridiculous experiments that would result in major hardships for my family. My family eventually severed ties with Uncle Merge. Uncle Merge cheated death by merging himself with robotics and other biologics. For years he has been planning on making a ray that merges matters and substances. He has never been successful until now." Uncle Merge said, "I will now rule over all of you with my merges." Uncle Merge breaks the grip Optitron has on him and Uncle Merge takes out his merge rays and he fires them at Jason and Mason. Jason and Mason dodge the rays and they hide around machinery. Uncle Merge grabs onto Captain Fusion and smashes him to the floor. Uncle Merge rips out the core of Captain Fusion's robotic section making the Optitron part malfunction. Captain Fusion begins malfunctioning.

Uncle Merge said, "Now Jason and Mason. It is your turn to get merged next. Jason and Mason sweat in fear. Jason said, "Got any ideas?" Mason said, "You're the one that reads all the comics." Jason thinks and he sees a can of orange soda on a table. Jason grabs the orange soda and he opens it and takes a sip. Jason said, "Nothing like a good orange soda to hit the spot." Uncle Merge stands in front of Jason and Uncle Merge is armed with his rays. He fires his merge rays at Jason and Jason is merged with the orange soda can. Mason watches this and he said, "JASON!" Jason is now an anthropomorphic can of orange soda. He is cylindrical and has elliptical eyes with arms and feet. Uncle Merge stands over Jason and Uncle Merge said, "I believe there was one more rectangle headed boy that needs a merge." Mason sees Jason as the soda can next to Merge. Mason runs behind Jason and he pushes Jason down and he uses Jason to roll over Uncle Merge. Uncle Merge's robotic parts get flattened.

Mason said, "We need to get out of here." Mason takes Jason and Captain Fusion out of the warehouse and he drags them down the street back home.

At the lab, Captain Fusion is connected to car battery. Mason said, "Stay connected to this car battery. You have been merged with a robotic interface. I will need to replace the core which was destroyed. For you Jason, it looks like you are now part human and part orange soda can. Your blood is orange soda and your biology is mixed with metals and organic tissues. I can undo some of the cosmetic effects but we need something more if we are going to get both of you unmerged."

The TV turns on in Mason's lab and George Ferrier is on the screen with DDD News. George said, "Security footage from a local factory have reported that Optitron has died. Also, Mayor Captain Fusion has been reported missing. No one knows where he is and there is no one to be mayor. Based on the San Francisco constitution, it seems we need the next best candidate for mayor to take over the city. The next best candidate is stated as being the most powerful man in the city. That man seems to be Captain Fusion's Uncle Merge based on this merge technology of his we found. Uncle Merge appears to have been crushed somehow but he was brought to the emergency room where he is being treated. Once he is repaired, he will be the mayor of the city."

Jason said, "Dang! How could Uncle Merge get so powerful so quickly and how could we get so disadvantaged fast? It looks like you are the only one that didn't get merged." Mason said, "I didn't get merged and that is where our fight against Uncle Merge stands."

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